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2. Citations and explanations:

Reference is made to the following documents:

D1: WO 02075629 D2: WO 03046708

D1 relates to an information management system comprising a plurality of products provided with a position code and a plurality of digital pens capable of reading the position code. The digital pens are coupled to a server means communicating with the pens in at least one communication network. The server means includes a position database which associates positions coded by the position code with rules for information management. The digital pens are arranged to communicate to the server means the information registered on the product. D1 also shows that the server means includes an interface unit by which actors in the system can enter data into the system.

D2 is cited to show the state of the art in recording of hand-written information from an electronic pen.

The only difference between the invention according to claims 1, 21, 22, and 23 and document D1, which is considered to be the most relevant document, is the notation of the "server means" in D1, which is called "flow path controller" in the claims. Both means seems to have the same function and therefore the invention according to claims 1, 21, 22, and 23 is considered to be known by D1.

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Claims 2-20 and 24-27 are indicating details, which are either known from D1 or obvious for a person skilled in the art by knowing D1.

Therefore, the invention according to claims 1-27 is known or lacks inventive step. The invention has industrial applicability.

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